Docket No.: ED-2016-ICCD-0119

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and approval; Comment Request; Evaluation of the Comprehensive Technical Assistance Centers

AGENCY: Department of Education (ED), Institute of Education Sciences (IES)

**ACTION:** Notice

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a new information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [insert the 30th day after publication of this notice].

**ADDRESSES:** To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use http://www.regulations.gov by searching the Docket ID number ED-2016-ICCD-0119. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or e-mail and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, LBJ, Room 224-84, Washington, D.C. 20202-4537.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Amy Johnson, 202-208-7849.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Evaluation of the Comprehensive Technical Assistance Centers

OMB Control Number: 1850-NEW (previously 1850-0914)

Type of Review: A new information collection

Respondents / Affected Public: Individuals or Households

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 649

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 236

Abstract: The National Evaluation of the Comprehensive Technical Assistance Centers will examine and document how the Comprehensive Center program and its individual centers intend to build SEA capacity and what types of activities they actually conduct to build capacity. The study will use surveys and interviews of center staff and technical assistance recipients, as well as technical assistance event observations, to collect information about how the Comprehensive Centers design their work, how they operate, and the results of their work.

The 60 day Federal Register notice for this collection (Vol. 81 FR 75388 on 10/31/2016) was issued under OMB #1850-0914. The Department of Education is requesting a new OMB number for this collection since the current collection was incorrectly issued as a common form. Once a new OMB number is issued for this collection, the current OMB number #1850-0914 will be discontinued.

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